

JULY 12.

Mr. CHARLES MORRIS, in the chair.

Nine persons present.

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JULY 19.

Mr. THOMAS MEEHAN, Vice-President, in the chair.

Nine persons present.

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AUGUST 2.

Mr. CHARLES MORRIS, in the chair.

Eight persons present.

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AUGUST 9.

Dr. W. S. W. RUSCHIENBERGER, in the chair.

Eleven persons present.

The Publication Committee reported in favor of publishing a paper entitled "On the Structure and Classification of Mesozoic Mammalia," by Henry F. Osborn, in the Journal of the Academy.

*On an Aquatic Larva and its Case:*—The following from Miss Adele M. Fielde, dated Swatow, China, April 25, 1887 was read:—

During last January, I found on the level surface of the coarse sand which covers the bottom of an aqueduct near here, under an inch or two of clear running water, little structures resembling a gray net spread to catch fish, or a tiny cave with a gauze awning stretched over the entrance. The arches had a span of from an eighth to a half an inch and always opened toward the current. They were to be seen in scores, with a buttress of coarse sand in the rear, and a minute aperture in the floor. The force of the stream had in a few cases swept away the buttress leaving the arch of gauze, with gray filaments, streaming from its torn hinder edge. The occupant of the wee grotto was in every case a caterpillar, not more than five-eighths of an inch long. It burrowed in the sand of the floor, stretched its head forth vertically, and fed upon what had been caught in the delicate roof of its den.

Its head, and the three thoracic segments, each of which bore a pair of four jointed legs ending in two hooks, were of a glossy brown, while the following eight segments were either gray or green, and the terminal segment translucent white. The terminal segment